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11 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
12 FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

13 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

14 Plaintiff,

15 v.

16 RONALD CRAIG ILG,

17 Defendant.

Case No. 2:21-CR-0049-WFN-1

Notice of Exhibits for Sentencing
and Notice re. Acceptance of
Responsibility

18 The United States of America, by and through United States Attorney Vanessa
19 R. Waldref and Assistant United States Attorneys Richard R. Barker and Patrick J.
20 Cashman submit the enclosed exhibits 2-9, which the United States may reference at
21 the sentencing hearing. Today, January 23, 2023, The United States received these
22 materials from the FBI and Witness A (Defendant's former fiancé, who recently broke
23 off her engagement to Defendant) through Witness A's counsel.

24 The exhibits consist of an FBI 302 regarding an interview with Witness A on
25 January 19, 2023. There also are excerpts of letters from Defendant to Witness A
26 during Defendant's period of custody. In these letters, Defendant discusses outreach
27 toward Witness 1 and Victim 2, as well as plans for Defendant to put out a press
28 release at the time of sentencing claiming he was not responsible for sending out the

1 dark web messages that are the subject of this case. Defendant's letters also describe
2 Defendant's plot, previously unknown to the government, to post social media
3 messages alleging that Defendant's ex-wife (Victim 2) sent the messages that are the
4 subject of this case.

5 Based on these letters, and consistent with the parties' plea agreement, the
6 United States hereby gives notice that it will recommend that Defendant not receive a
7 full three-level downward adjustment for acceptance responsibility. The United States
8 respectfully submits Defendant has not "demonstrated recognition and affirmative
9 acceptance of Defendant's personal responsibility for Defendant's criminal conduct."
10 ECF No. 142 at ¶ 10(c). While the Court may afford Defendant a two-level downward
11 adjustment, the United States submits that the third point should be withheld at the
12 time of sentencing. If the Court agrees with the Government, this will result in an
13 adjusted Advisory Guideline Range of 78-97 months' incarceration.

14 Respectfully submitted this 23rd day of January 2023.

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16 Vanessa R. Waldref
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18 s/ Richard R. Barker
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20 Patrick J. Cashman
21 Assistant United States Attorneys

22 **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

23 I hereby certify that on January 23, 2023, I electronically filed the foregoing
24 with the Clerk of the Court using the CM/ECF System which will send notification of
25 such filing to counsel of record.

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27 s/ Richard R. Barker
28 Richard R. Barker
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